Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai: (*a*) and (*b*) The nature of the work done is such that in most cases the Industrial Chemist and the Chemical Assistant have to attend to the same work, and it is therefore not possible to separate their work and say which part was done by the Industrial Chemist and which by the Chemical Assistant. For work done by the Chemical Assistant and the Industrial Chemist *vide* answer to question No. 13.

Work done by the Prospector during 1109 and 1110.

16. ***Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai:** With reference to the working of the Prospector, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the work or works in which he was engaged during 1109 M. E. and the results thereof; and

(*b*) the programme of work awaiting him for 1110 M. E.

Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai: (*a*) and (*b*) The Prospector assists the Geological Assistant in his work, according to the instructions given from time to time. No separate report on his work can be given as it is not possible for him to do any work independent of the Geologist. The Geological Assistant's programme of work includes that of the Prospector also. For the Geological Assistant's work vide answer to question No. 14.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai: May I know under whose direction the Geological Assistant and Prospector work?

Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai: The Prospector works under the direction of the Geological Assistant.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai: Is it not possible for the Prospector to do any work independent of the Geological Assistant?

Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai: No.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai: What was the work actually turned out by the Prospector during 1109?

Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai: The information is laid on the table.

Applications for grants to primary schools.

17. ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad** (*Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to give a list showing:

(*a*) the number of applications received for grants to primary schools for the last two years;

(*b*) the number of Hindu, Christian and Mahomedan applicants; and

(*c*) the number for which grants were sanctioned and the number of Hindu, Christian and Mahomedan applications granted?

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